

## **WEST VALLEY CITY, UTAH**

### **PROCLAMATION**

#### **A PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 2008 AS CRIME PREVENTION MONTH IN WEST VALLEY CITY.**

**WHEREAS**, the vitality of our City depends on how safe we keep our homes, neighborhoods, schools, workplaces, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, crime and fear of crime destroys our trust in others and in civic institutions threatening the community's health, prosperity, and quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, people of all ages must be made aware of what they can do to prevent themselves and their families, neighbors, and co-workers from being harmed by crime; and

**WHEREAS**, people of all ages must be made aware of the dangers of crime and how they can protect themselves from becoming victims; and

**WHEREAS**, the personal injury, financial loss, and community deterioration resulting from crime are intolerable and require investment from the whole community; and

**WHEREAS**, crime prevention initiatives must include self-protection and security, but they must go beyond these to promote collaborative efforts to make neighborhoods safer for all ages and to develop positive opportunities for young people; and

**WHEREAS**, adults must invest time, resources, and policy support in effective prevention and intervention strategies for youth, and adults must make sure to engage teens in programs to drive crime from their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, effective crime prevention programs succeed because of partnerships with law enforcement, other government agencies, civic groups, schools, faith communities, businesses, and individuals as they help to nurture communal responsibility and instill pride.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Dennis J. Nordfelt, Mayor of West Valley City, do hereby proclaim October 2008 as Crime Prevention Month in West Valley City and urge all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, and businesses to invest in the power of prevention and work together to make West Valley City a safer, stronger, more caring community.

**DATED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

WEST VALLEY CITY

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY RECORDER